



FROM MAYOR CRAIG LITTLE Local Water Done Well

I have enjoyed our community meetings and listening to people's thoughts as part of our consultation around Local Waters Done Well. Thank you to those people who have attended meetings and sessions. It has been interesting to hear a range of different and valuable inputs and insights.

Local Water Done Well (LWDW) is Central Government legislation that aims to address New Zealand's long-standing water infrastructure challenges.

LWDW legislation changes the way all councils across New Zealand have traditionally delivered three waters services - drinking water, wastewater and stormwater.

We are not yet sure how that will look for Wairoa, whether we will proceed as a single entity or join others as a regional entity, which is why we are encouraging people to share their thoughts. One thing we can be certain of is that the cost of three water services will likely

increase significantly in the future.

A key message during our community catch-ups has been around affordability. We have no confirmed figures at this stage, but modelling suggests the cost of providing three water services in the future could be twice what it is today, and the provision is unlikely to resemble the current approach.

I understand the government's need for safe drinking water and wastewater disposal. However, I am mindful that there has been a massive reduction in funding for water services from recent governments. The last significant government funding Wairoa received was for the Mahia wastewater system.

Contributing to the nationwide issues we are currently facing is a combination of a lack of co-investment from the central government and significantly higher compliance requirements imposed through national water regulator, Taumata Arowai.

For small areas like Wairoa, we are doubly impacted as we want to keep our 'local voice and control', but to be more efficient, we need economies of scale, meaning we may need to partner with others, such as Hawke's Bay Councils.

Please have your say by going to www.consultations.nz/wdc/, or picking up a submission form from the Council office or the Library. Consultation closes 11.59pm on Sunday, 15 June 2025.

LOCAL WATER DONE WELL COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Have
your say

CARAVAN SESSIONS

Tuesday, 10 June 1pm - 3pm
Gemmells, Marine Parade

INFORMATION DROP IN SESSION

Friday, 13 June 10am - 2pm
Wairoa District Council Chambers

www.consultations.nz/wdc/



Mayor Craig Little

MEET THE MAYOR KANOHI KI TE KANOHI

If you would like to have a meeting with the Mayor, call the council offices on 06 838 7309 to arrange a meeting time.

He is available to meet with people on Wednesdays.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

STRATEGY, WELLBEING, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Tuesday, June 10, 10am

FINANCE, ASSURANCE, AND RISK COMMITTEE

Tuesday, June 17, 12.30pm

COUNCIL FORUM

Tuesday, June 24, 10am

ORDINARY COUNCIL

Tuesday, June 24, 1.30pm

INFRASTRUCTURE AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, July 1, 10am

MAORI STANDING COMMITTEE

Tuesday, July 8, 10am



Dog Registration Payment Plan

Setting up a payment plan over the year can help reduce the pinch when it is annual registration time.

To find out more www.wairoadc.govt.nz/services/animal-education/dog-owners

THE 3 P'S

Only flush the 3 P's Pee, Poo and Paper

Flushing anything other than the 3P's - pee, poo and toilet paper may result in a sewer overflow in your home, or a blockage known as a 'fatberg' in our sewers.

Every year, water utilities remove hundreds of sewerage system blockages caused by wipes and other rubbish. This build-up of flushed rubbish can also cause significant damage to your household pipes and lead to overflows in our natural environment.

All this damage and cost are completely avoidable.

Wipes, even those labeled as flushable, do not break down as efficiently as toilet paper. The best way to dispose of wipes, face tissues, sanitary products and cotton buds is in the bin.



Matariki

This year's Wairoa Matariki celebrations will acknowledge the volunteers who have supported our community during the weather and flood events over the past two years.

The Wairoa Matariki Whānau Concert will be held on Friday, June 6, from 6pm-8pm at the Wairoa Community Centre and will feature performing artists, a lantern ceremony, Maumahara (reminiscing), food and produce stalls, and a fireworks display.

On Thursday, June 5, Wairoa's first Matariki outdoor movie experience will be held with the screening of 'Coco' at 5pm.

WAIROA MATARIKI WHĀNAU CONCERT

WAIROA COMMUNITY CENTRE
FRIDAY, 6 JUNE 6PM - 8PM

Performing Artists
Lantern Ceremony
Maumahara
Food & Produce Stalls
Finale' Annual Fireworks Display

If you are interested to hold
a stall
email: hinef@sporthb.net.nz

Enabled Wairoa
HAWKE'S BAY

GAITY Now Showing June 5 - 12

Ballerina PREMIERE

R16 | 1hr 29m
Thursday 5th June 5.30pm
Friday 6th June 8pm
Saturday 7th June 5.30pm

Final Destination: Bloodlines

R16 | 1hr 49m
Friday 6th June 5.30pm

Lilo & Stitch

PG | 2hr 4m
Saturday 7th June 2pm
Sunday 8th June 11.30am

Thunderbolts

M | 2hr 6m
Sunday 8th June 2pm

Sinners

R16 | 2hr 17m
Wednesday 11th June 5.30pm

How to Train Your Dragon PREMIERE

TBC | 1hrs 56m
Thursday 12th June 5.30pm

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